

## WORK OF CHURCHES IS GOING FORWARD

Reports to West Hanover Presbytery Show Progress Along Many Lines.

### MANY IN NEED OF PASTORS

Young Men Graduating from the Seminary to Supply Several Closing Session.

ARVONIA, VA., April 17.—The meeting of West Hanover Presbytery came to a close at the Arvon Presbyterian Church here last night. During yesterday afternoon reports of the committees appointed to tabulate the reports from all the churches were received and discussed.

It was found that the work of the churches connected with the presbytery during the ecclesiastical year ending March 31, 1908, was thoroughly satisfactory from almost every standpoint. The Sabbath schools as a rule are flourishing, and the ladies' societies doing a good work. The membership has increased considerably, and contributions to all causes were greater than the year before. Of the forty-four churches of the presbytery, however, there are a number that have no pastor, and the home mission committee took action to have several of them supplied. The Scottsville group expects to have as pastor Rev. Mr. Christian, now a student in the senior class of Union Theological Seminary. The Rapidan and Orange group, formerly pastored by Rev. Carl S. Matthews, also expects to secure for its pastor a student who graduates this spring at the seminary.

**May Dissolve Church.**  
A committee of ministers and elders was appointed to visit the church of which organization known as Fork Union and see whether or not it might be best to dissolve the church organization and transfer its members to other churches. This organization is without a church building, and has but few members, but has connected with it some excellent people.

On Thursday night Dr. J. Gray McAllister, president of Hanover-Sunder College, preached a most excellent and scholarly sermon, using as a text II Timothy, II, 9: "The word of God is not bound." The title of the discourse was "How the Bible Came to Us." Dr. McAllister handled his subject in a masterly manner and attracted the closest attention of a large congregation of intelligent people. In this discourse Dr. McAllister showed, in his usually delightful manner, just how the Bible was given, was preserved, and was handed down to us. The conclusion of the sermon or address, telling of the power and circulation of the Bible in the world to-day, was particularly inspiring and uplifting. After this sermon the presbytery was called to order before the closing session to conclude its work, which was quickly done. At 9:30 the presbytery adjourned to meet in Brown's Church, of the Cumberland Group, in Cumberland on Tuesday, August 18, 1908.

This morning at 11 o'clock the Rev. H. Tucker Graham preached an excellent sermon from I Corinthians, IV, 5: "And then shall each man have his praise from God." All the ministers and elders left for their homes to-day.

### NEW CLERK OF HIGHLAND.

Mr. J. Clifton Matheny Appointed to Succeed His Father.

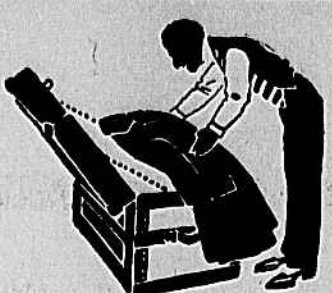
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
MONTICELLO, VA., April 17.—Judge George K. Anderson has appointed Mr. J. Clifton Matheny as clerk of Highland County Court to succeed his father, Captain J. C. Matheny, whose death occurred last week, and Mr. Matheny went to Clifton Forge yesterday to qualify before Judge Anderson. Captain Matheny's term would have expired in 1912, hence the appointment is for four years.

It is generally understood that Mr. W. H. Matheny, the elder son, will have charge of the office as deputy, and would himself have made application but for the fact that he was not eligible by virtue of his residence in Tennessee for two years prior to last fall. Both sons are worthy and competent, and the appointment meets the approval of a large majority of the people.

### Bonsack Company Elects Officers.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., April 17.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bonsack Machine Company was held yesterday and the following were elected as members of the board of directors: Captain J. W. Gerow, J. D. Horsley, Union Power Co., E. P. Halsey and Garland E. Vaughan. After the meeting of the stockholders the new board met and declared a dividend of 6 per centum on the capital stock.

The officers elected by the board are: President, Secretary and Treasurer, P. A. Krise.



## LOSSES OF MANY WILL MEAN ALL

Men, Women and Children Had All They Possessed in Bank of Mecklenburg.

### INVESTIGATION BEING MADE

Books and Accounts Being Gone Over by Experts—All to Fall on Stockholders and Depositors.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
BOYDTON, VA., April 17.—There are as yet no developments in the matter of the failure of the Bank of Mecklenburg. Mr. Boudar, his son and Mr. Chesterman took charge of the books and accounts of the bank yesterday, and are working on them. The depositors are still in the dark as to the final outcome, but enough is known to satisfy them that the bank has been fearfully wrecked and that their loss will be very heavy.

The people seem dazed, and can hardly realize what has happened. Whatever may be the result of the examination by the expert accountants it will relieve the intense anxiety of those who are waiting to hear the result.

### Many Lose Their All.

No financial crash within the recollection of the present generation has occurred in Mecklenburg, producing such intense excitement and distress. Many poor men, women and children had pretty well all their earthly possessions in this bank and felt perfectly secure, as they had the greatest confidence in the stability of this old institution, which had withstood for thirty-six years the monetary stringency and panics which have occurred during these long years.

The president of directors are very heavy losers, nearly all of whom, not only owned a great deal of stock, but were large depositors as well. They believed they had the business of the bank well in hand, and had little or no idea as to the knowledge went. Cashier Overby has been at his home since Monday. His brother, Mr. C. Overby, who resides in the South, reached here yesterday, and is still with Cashier Overby.

Mr. B. E. Coghill, who was in reality the principal beneficiary in this great transaction, and who it is charged, brought ruin on Cashier Overby, was on Saturday last adjudged a bankrupt in the United States Court at Richmond, and Mr. Overby is hopelessly insolvent. It is, therefore, conceded that almost all of the entire loss of \$120,000 will fall on the stockholders and depositors. Mr. Overby was bonded in one of the trust companies for only \$5,000.

### CHASE CITY CANNERY SOLD.

Well-Equipped Plant Bought by Maryland Man.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHASE CITY, VA., April 17.—The fruit and vegetable cannery, consisting of new buildings and machinery, with the land on which it was erected in 1907 and operated one season by the Chase City Cannery Corporation, was sold yesterday by Judge Roman, commissioner, at public auction, and the purchaser was J. Frank Thomas, of Westminster, Md., for \$4,000. It is a splendidly equipped establishment, and will again be conducted for its original purpose under more favorable conditions.

Some of the patrons here of the suspended Bank of Mecklenburg express dissatisfaction in regard to the receivers appointed by the Circuit Court in vacation. They think no previous officers of the institution, but entirely disinterested and competent business men should control and wind up its affairs.

The April term of the Circuit Court commences at Boydton next Monday, with Judge Barkdale, who always has a large docket to engage him, but disposes of it with ability, promptness and satisfactorily. No complaint is made against him, and the people universally say, "We believe he is a fair judge."

### TO HAVE MAY RACE MEET.

Another Meet July 4th, and Radford Fair to Begin September 9th.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
RADFORD, VA., April 17.—At a meeting of the directors of the South-west Virginia Agricultural and Live Stock Association, held Wednesday at Radford, it was decided to hold a May race meet; also one on the 4th of July, at the Radford track. The date of the annual fair was set for September 9th. The association has also joined the Virginia-Carolina circuit, with stake races of \$500.

The barn of Captain Stooton Isth, in East Radford, was burned Monday. The loss is about \$3,000, including machinery, stables, etc. There was no insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated from the cigarettes of small boys who had gone there to smoke.

Henry Scott, colored, was sentenced this week to four years in the penitentiary for attempted assault. Jerry Murphy, colored, was stabbed and critically wounded by Andy Simmonds, colored, Monday night, the latter making his escape and being still at large.

### ROSTER OF HER SOLDIERS.

Spotsylvania Appoints Committee to Get List of Living and Dead.

SPOTSYLVANIA, VA., April 17.—An effort is being made to make up a complete list by company and regiment of all men in Spotsylvania county who did military service in the Confederate States, and will embrace those who are living and dead. A committee of fifteen persons has been designated with power to call on and appoint to assist in the work. This work will be commenced at once and prosecuted until a full roster is made, and when the list is complete and approved it will be recorded in the clerk's office for preservation and future reference.

The following persons have been designated to perfect this work, namely: T. A. Harris, J. P. H. Crismond, John D. Walker, L. H. Smith, Jesse H. Stubbs, Thomas L. Chevington, W. L. Jones, R. L. Todd, George W. Chevington, William L. Waite, Jesse H. Stubbs, John T. Whitlock, R. C. Decker and Thomas Slaughter Bullock.

### OLD MONTICELLO GUARD.

Survivors Have a Delightful Banquet in Charlottesville.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 17.—The annual banquet of the Confederate veterans, survivors of Company A, the old Monticello Guard, was held last evening at the Colonial Hotel. Letters were read from Captain W. B. Matheny and from Mr. J. M. Quick of Petersburg, both members of

## To the Grocers:

Dozens of wagons have been working night and day distributing wink ammunition. Many hundred deliveries have been made to grocers so that they could respond properly to the wink. We thought every grocer had been supplied; we are disappointed in finding that a few have been missed. If this advertisement catches the eye of a grocer who did not get his wink ammunition we want to hear from him either by letter or phone at once. If it is read by a grocer's assistant won't you please call the attention of the manager to it, or if the grocer's wife or the assistant's wife reads it—ask your husband if he got his.

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## BOY MAYOR OF MILWAUKEE



SHERBURN M. BECKER.

Sherburn M. Becker, the "boy" Mayor of Milwaukee, who having been so successful in conducting his campaign for Mayor from an automobile, has now decided to enter the race for governorship of Wisconsin, and will use a hulloose this time for campaign purposes and as a means of traveling to place. Mr. Becker was only twenty-nine years of age when elected Mayor of Milwaukee two years ago after a whirlwind campaign. His race for governorship promises to be equally sensational.

James Perley, T. J. Williams, W. C. Payne, W. C. Webb, G. L. Crank, T. L. Munroe, C. W. Vandegrift and Robert Dobbins. Invited guests were Judge L. T. W. Duke, Hon. W. R. Duke, Bartlett Bolling and Nat. McGee.

Much regret was expressed that Captain H. Clay Michie could not be with the veterans.

### JUDGE HANCKEL TO HEAR THEM.

Temperance People Will Urge That Saloon Restrictions Prevail.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
NORFOLK, VA., April 17.—J. S. Sydney Smith, L. B. Cox, Ivor A. Page and John H. Day, Jr., appeared before Judge Alan R. Hanckel in the Corporation Court, petitioning for the restriction of saloons in the city of Norfolk, the reduction of the area in which they shall be allowed and asking that as far as possible the court carry out the provisions of the ordinances passed by Council and vetoed by Mayor Riddick. Judge Hanckel set Friday, April 24th, for the hearing of the petitioners and others who may be interested in the question. The committee was in conference with Judge Hanckel for an hour or more.

The petitioners will ask definitely for the reduction of the number of saloons in Norfolk to seventy-five on the ground that this number is ample for all purposes; that the majority of the others are illegitimate, leading to crime and minor violations of the law. The committee expressed satisfaction as to the outcome of the conference with Judge Hanckel.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ANELIA TO FORM AN ASSOCIATION

AMELIA COURTHOUSE, VA., April 17.—A mass meeting of the people will be held in the Presbyterian Church here on Sunday afternoon with the object of establishing a county Sunday school organization to develop Sunday school work on a larger basis than has been done heretofore. Mr. R. A. Justis, Mr. Fred Lamb and Captain John Lamb are among the speakers who will be present, and a large attendance is expected.

Dr. Alfred Jones has labored faith-

fully here expounding the Scriptures and encouraging the church for the past week. His sermons have been greatly enjoyed.

Rector V. Wrenn has also been conducting services in the Episcopal Church, preparing for Easter, and Easter services will be held on Sunday in that church.

### TWO BOYS RUN AWAY.

Call of the Wild Too Strong for Couple of Charlottesville Lads.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 17.—When the call of the wild became too strong for Roy Morris and Edward Giannini Wednesday evening, they donned long pants and slipped away under cover of the dark. Young Giannini, aged twelve, tender and good-looking, was a carrier for the Daily Progress for Market Street and the woolen mills. The Morris boy is a year or two older, about the same build and fair.

Carrying the Progress apparently imbued the Market Street youth with a spirit of adventure, for this is the second runaway of a carrier within a month. Harry Harris, about the same age as Morris and Giannini, three weeks ago felt the call, and it took ten days for his parents to locate him in Culpeper.

### AMHERST COURT IN SESSION.

Madison Nuisance Cases Being Heard—Criminal Cases Tried.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
AMHERST, VA., April 17.—The April term of Amherst Circuit Court is still in session. Judge Bennett T. Gordon presiding. This week has been devoted to criminal and chancery matters. The Madison nuisance cases are now being tried. These cases are indictments against a number of citizens of the town of Madison, in this county, for maintaining nuisances along the new macadam road which Amherst county is building through that town. The case being on trial is that of W. L. Moore, charged with having a bridge and porch across the stream which runs by the side of the road, it being claimed that this bridge and porch obstruct the flow of water after hard rains and that as a result thereof the road is injured.

On Monday Officer Rose was cleared on appeal from a justice of the peace of \$11. Tuesday A. J. Layborne was tried for larceny and cleared.

The Madison nuisance cases will end the criminal docket for this term.

### FOR THE TRIAL OF RICHARDS.

Expected That the Jury Will be Completed To-day.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
FLOYD, VA., April 17.—The case of John W. Richards for the murder of Maurice Francis was called this morning. Out of 121 persons summoned 56 have been examined and 12 found qualified to serve as jurors. The panel will be completed without any trouble from the list summoned from this county.

Mr. John F. Draper, of Pulaski, is assisting the Commonwealth in place of Messrs. Wyvor and Hoge.

### PLASTERING FALLS ON MAN WHILE BEING SHAVED

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., April 17.—Mr. W. C. MacBride, an employee of A. A. McCorkle Furniture Company, was the victim of a peculiar accident in the barber shop on Main Street, while he was submitting to a shave. The young man being shaved so badly that he required the attention of a physician, and after being cared for was sent home.

While Mr. Mason was occupying a place on a barber chair the plastering above him dropped in a shot, enveloping him and badly bruising him about the face and body. His injuries are not serious, and he will probably be ready to return to work to-morrow morning.

### SOUTHWEST SUPERINTENDENTS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETING

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
BRISTOL, VA., April 17.—The first annual conference of county school superintendents of Southwest Virginia, which convened in Bristol Thursday, concluded its work to-night, and adjourned to meet next year at Pulaski.

Of the twenty-one superintendents of the Southwest, all except four were in attendance. Superintendent W. D. Smith, of Scott county, was elected president of the organization, and Superintendent B. E. Copenhaver, of Smyth county, secretary.

### Ten Years for Attempted Assault.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
HARRISONBURG, VA., April 17.—William Strother (colored) was convicted in the Circuit Court of attempted criminal assault upon Mrs. James Fincham White and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The crime was committed on the outskirts of this town about two months ago.

### Spotsylvania Farm Sold.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
SPOTSYLVANIA, VA., April 17.—Mr. A. A. Parks, of this county, has sold his handsome estate, known as "Big Sandy," to C. J. Wright, of Braxton, Pa.

The Confederate Veterans' Association at its recent meeting, held here, decided to petition the Circuit Court of this county at its next term to direct the clerk to keep a proper book in the clerk's office for registering the "old vets."

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